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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 20, 1999 with respect to the patent application identified above.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application to one of the groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Applicants, by their attorney, now elect the claims of group one, claims 1-9 and 17-19. Accordingly, but without prejudice to the patentability of the subject matter therein, please cancel claims 10-16, 20 and 21. Because all inventors participated jointly in claims 1-9 and 17-19, no amendment of inventorship is believed necessary. Favorable action is now solicited.

Respectfully

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